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Mr. Richard F. Timmons  
President  
American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association  
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Washington, D. C. 20001-1564

Dear Mr. Timmons:

The purpose of this letter is to respond to the question of Surface Transportation Board Chairman Nottingham concerning our readiness and preparations for the fall shipping peak.

RailAmerica and Florida East Coast Railway are fully prepared with adequate resources for the peak. We see no capacity constraints on any of our 42 properties that will negatively affect the quality of service.

All the best.

John E. Giles  
Chief Executive Officer & President

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